

STORM WATCH: Duxbury edition

Here's how the storm unfolded in Duxbury, through the lens of social media.

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Thursday, March 1

3:30 p.m.

As word of the storm spreads, Duxbury officials decide to cancel school the following day. Other places in town quickly follow suit and shut down all operations.

4:30 p.m.

The National Weather Service Boston issues a tweet with a warning, declaring this a "life and death situation" and encouraging residents to take it extremely seriously.

Friday, March 2

5:43 a.m.

The Duxbury Fire Department notifies the public that the rain, winds and waves have started in Duxbury.

10:48 a.m.

At this point, there's already considerable flooding in town, well before high tide, and high water rescue trucks are on the scene.

11:09

DXFD reminds citizens to not drive through the water, noting that one person already needed to be rescued.

3:08 p.m.

Trees are falling all over, and the crews are working diligently to ensure the damage escalates as little as possible.

7:40 p.m.

Town Manager Rene Read implores residents to stay off the road until the storm passes. Duxbury Police has already told residents to remain indoors as well.

9:02 p.m.

Governor Charlie Baker quote tweets DXFD's tweet, saying how proud he is of the way everyone is responding to the Nor'easter.

9:56 p.m.

A local state of emergency is officially declared in Duxbury, and a travel ban is in effect until further notice. Six minutes later, it's revealed that 97 percent of the town is without power, or 6,753 houses, per Eversource.



Photos courtesy Duxbury Fire Department



Saturday, March 3

6:17 a.m.

Friday turns to Saturday, and the ferocity of the storm has simmered, but the damage remains. Town officials are out surveying the scene and taking appropriate courses of action.

6:30 a.m.

It's announced that all Duxbury Public School facilities will be closed throughout the day.

8:03 a.m.

Situations like this are tragic in many ways, but they often bring out hope and salvation as well. DXFD tweets a video of a horse, Rocky, getting rescued from underneath a collapsed structure at Lincoln Street Field.

8:56 a.m.

The travel ban in the town of Duxbury is lifted, but residents are still strongly encouraged to remain off the roads whenever possible.

12:08 p.m.

The damage was intense, as shown here by the Duxbury Fire Department's tweet of massive trees sprawled along the ground.

12:10 p.m.

Baker declares a state of emergency, effective immediately, to help protect citizens around the state.

9:06 p.m.

DXFD announces it has responded to over 170 emergency calls in the past 36 hours, many of which are weather-related. To put that figure into context, DXFD's normal daily call volume is eight to 12 runs.

Sunday, March 4

5:36 a.m.

The power is still out in all Duxbury Public Schools, and it's announced that all facilities will remain closed throughout the day.

10:58 a.m.

The Harbormaster reminds the public that the Duxbury Beach back road and crossovers will remain closed until further notice.

1:19 p.m.

DXFD shares an iconic photo from Plymouth Avenue, where residents are getting out of their house via paddleboard.

2:28 p.m.

It's announced that all public schools will be closed Monday, March 5, due to the lingering effects of the storm.

Monday, March 5

6:07 a.m.

DXFD shares an Eversource report that 3,262 Duxbury homes are still without power, which is 47 percent of the town.

12:45 p.m.

Even sizable trees like this one were uprooted and tossed aside.

1:24 p.m.

DXFD shares images of a car on Wadsworth Road getting crushed by a tree.

2:20 p.m.

DXFD posts another jarring photo, this one from Ocean Road North, where a section of the seawall collapsed.



4:54 p.m.

It is announced that the Duxbury Public Schools will reopen Tuesday, March 6, and that absences due to storm-related concerns will be excused.

Tuesday, March 6

7:47 a.m.

DXFD announces it ran over 250 calls during the Nor'easter, and that all street power has been restored.

1 p.m.

DXFD and Duxbury Emergency Management hosted a press conference on Cable Hill Road, at the site of a major sea wall collapse, with town and state officials scheduled to attend.